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Japs Raid South-East Bengal 'Drome

Allies Withdraw Fifteen Miles In Burma To Readjust Front For Rainy Season

NEW DELHI, April 7.

Yesterday afternoon a formation of enemy bombers, escorted by fighters, attacked an aerodrome in south-east Bengal; slight damage was caused and some casualties have been reported, says the India Command Joint War Communique issued to-day.

JAPS DIG IN AT TAUNGMAW

On the Arakan front the position of our troops east of Buthedaung remains unchanged. Unable to make further progress in that area, the enemy dug in at Taungmaw and then proceeded during the past several days to develop a move against our exposed northern flank on the Mayu Peninsula. Infiltrating across the Mayu river south-west of Kwazon, the enemy succeeded over the weekend in routing a direct threat to our communications in the narrow strip between the hills and the sea north of Donbaik. To meet this outflanking movement, the necessary readjustments have been made of our forward positions on the Mayu Peninsula, and the attempt to isolate our troops in the forward area has been thwarted. Withdrawal has been effected from Donbaik to positions in the Kyaukpandu area, three miles north-west of Indin on the Mayu Peninsula.

In engagements here and with Japanese units operating in the hills east and south of Indin our troops have inflicted severe casualties on the enemy. Fighting continues.

Jap Drive Held

"Consequent on the recent adjustment of our positions north of Rathedaung to meet the outflanking threat developed by enemy from the hills to the east of Htizwe, the initial Japanese attempt to develop a drive on the Buthedaung-Maungdaw area to recover lost ground before the onset of the monsoon was brought to a standstill", says the supplementary statement to the 'communique.'

NEW ALLIED POSITION

Our forces remained and still are in position east of Buthedaung. Unable to make further progress and themselves confronted by an increasingly difficult supply situation north of Rathedaung, the enemy dug in the Taungmaw area and then a few days ago, began probing by infiltration across the Mayu river into the Atet Nanra area of the Mayu Peninsula, south-west of Kwazon.

This move was not unexpected. It was known that our pressure on Donbaik was a considerable and persistent embarrassment to the enemy whose frustration in the Buthedaung area had prevented him influencing the situation on the Mayu Peninsula.

Fifteen Miles Withdrawal

The situation was, however, that our enforced readjustments involving this withdrawal to some fifteen miles north of Rathedaung had inevitably exposed the flank of the Mayu Peninsula to enemy action and, if temporary defence of the Peninsula was to be considered, troops would have to cover a lengthy line stretching from Donbaik in the extreme south, north-north-east up the Peninsula to Kwazon and the Taungmaw area.

This would have involved providing for the supply of a considerable number of troops by undeveloped lines of communications, which would never be maintained during the rainy season, and was never contemplated.

While the situation remained fluid it was not desirable to give the enemy any indication of our reaction to his infiltration movement across the Mayu river. This move was contested by our naval craft, which inflicted losses on enemy launches running troops and supplies across the river from the Chaungs on the east of the Mayu; and our aircraft lost no opportunity to strafe any enemy movement seen in the jungle country in the north-east of the Peninsula east of the Mayu range.

THREAT TO ALLIED COMMUNICATION

Despite losses the enemy proceeded to develop to move by the dispersal of a considerable number of small detachments in the jungles and hills south-east of Indin in a direct effort to cut the narrow and vulnerable line of communications without troops on the Donbaik sector. The Japanese avoided action with our troops covering the passes through the Mayu range and infiltrating over the mountains, established a roadblock south of Indin.

In the meantime orders had been issued to our troops in the south of the Peninsula while other units moved south to attack the Japanese forces in the Atet Nanra area and any enemy that might penetrate into the Indin area.

JAP INFILTRATION CHECKED

British and Indian troops established in the hills south-east of Indin have engaged several parties of the enemy endeavouring to infiltrate through in support of the flank attack against our communications and have inflicted very considerable casualties on the Japanese. The enemy has committed considerable air and land forces in an effort to regain before the onset of the rains ground lost since mid-December last, but has so far succeeded only in reoccupying areas which are untenable in any event during the monsoon. In fact the same applies to certain positions still in occupation by our forces, but

the Japanese may be expected to continue their pressure with a view to gaining some local success before the rain restrict operations.

The enemy effort does not arise from any heavy reinforcement for offensive purposes in Burma itself, but is simply consequent on their being able to commit reserves of air and land forces to counter-attack in local areas in the knowledge that losses sustained cannot effect their capacity to defend themselves in Burma during the few weeks remaining before the rains.

R.A.F. RAIDS ON ENEMY POSITIONS

Yesterday morning R.A.F. Blenheims, escorted by fighters, bombed the enemy occupied village of Thinganet, five miles west of Htizwe. Bursts were observed in the centre of the target area. In the afternoon our fighters machine-gunned enemy positions at Indin. Last night bombs were dropped on the Japanese aerodrome at Pakokku on the Irrawaddy, south-west of Mandalay.

All our aircraft returned safely.

U.S. PLANES BOMB RANGOON BRIDGES

B-24 heavy bombers of the Tenth U.S. Air Force on April 6 again attacked Pazunadun bridge, the key to railroad traffic in and out of Rangoon, says a communique issued by Rear Echelon Headquarters United States Army Forces China-Burma-India. Hits were observed on the northern abutment and tracts at the southern approach were destroyed.

Medium bomber operations in Northern Burma were confined to attack on enemy positions with light bombs.

HEAVY RAID ON SALAMUA

Allied Headquarters South-West Pacific: Gen. MacArthur's 'communique' this morning reports that Salamua was heavily bombed by Allied planes. Allied aircraft also bombed the aerodrome at Finschhafen, Gasmata, the waterfront area at Cape Gloucester and Japanese-held installations in the Aroe Islands and the village of Tanimbar.

INDIANS WIN IN EAST AFRICA

Three Govts. Abandon Monopolistic Venture

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The long-drawn dispute between the white traders of East Africa who threatened to usurp the long established and legitimate trade rights of the Indian commercial community there by the creation of a monopolistic organisation called the Utility Commercial Corporation has come to a happy ending as a sequel to the protracted agitation carried on through the Indian Nationalist Press by the Africa Shippers' Association.

It will be recalled that a delegation of three East African Governments representing Uganda, Kenya and Tanganyka had come to India to settle the dispute. After several days of negotiations the East African Delegation has given an assurance to the Africa Shippers' Association that the scheme for the formation of the Corporation which the Indian merchants complained tended to be monopolistic had been set aside.

This fact was announced to the accompaniment of laud applause by Mr. Dawood Haji Nasser, Chairman of the Association at a special general meeting held at the Association's office on Tuesday evening.

On the assurance being given the Africa Shippers' Association had decided to co-operate with the East African Governments with regard to equitable distribution of goods and their purchase at lowest rates.

LONDON, April 7.—Two of eight German fighter bombers which attacked the south coast of England were destroyed to-day.

'Bancor' For Gold, But No Gold For 'Bancor'

KEYNES' PLAN FOR INTERNATIONAL CLEARING UNION

LONDON, April 7.

Keynes plan for post-war "Bancor" currency was published today by the British Government.

It sets out proposals for an International Clearing Union "as a preliminary contribution to the solution of one of the problems of international economic co-operation after the war."

Lord Keynes said to-day: "I think you will find the report quite cheerful reading." He stated that his Treasury collaborators were permanent officials, who would not like their names to be published.

The Report says that the proposals which will be discussed by the United Nations are framed to provide a generally acceptable means of payment between nations to ensure that any alterations in the exchange values of national currencies are made as the result of an orderly international procedure and not by unilateral action, and to relieve from excessive strain any nation suffering from temporary difficulty in meeting its obligations to make payments abroad, while at the same time subjecting it to additional pressure towards restoring balance. These aims are subsidiary to the one main purpose—the promotion of steady expansion in the flow of international trade and consequent improvement in the standard of life of the participating countries. The proposed union will be likened to providing means of settlement between central banks. "Bancor" is international currency only in the sense that it is a unit of measurement for exchange values and a unit of accounting in books of the union. A private banker or trader will continue to do foreign business in terms of pounds or dollars or francs, but the fact that His Government can borrow "bancor" from the union will enable it to provide him with foreign exchange at a stable price, when otherwise it would have been unable to do so. Thus all exchange fluctuations due to speculation will be eliminated.

All the United Nations will be invited to become members of the International Clearing Union. If enemy states are invited to join, special conditions may be applied to them. The plan provides that the 'bancor' unit be defined initially in terms of a given weight of gold which shall be alterable, if necessary, in the light of events.

It gives to every country the right to obtain 'Bancor' from the Union in exchange for gold, but not the right to obtain gold in exchange for 'Bancor.' Every country will be under obligation not to attempt to accumulate gold by paying more for it than its agreed price in terms of national currency, but will otherwise be free to make as much or little use of gold as it thinks fit, both in its domestic and international dealings.

Thus the plan recognises certain facts—high present value still enjoyed by gold and its convenience for certain purposes. But it does not put the fate of international money at the mercy of vicissitudes of the world's gold supply, nor give any countenance to the idea that the value of that money is derived from possession of "gold backing." The governing board (appointed by the Governments of member states) will fix the value of 'Bancor.' Each member state will have a "quota" determining the measure of its responsibility in the management of the union and its right to enjoy credit facilities.

The plan says: "The Clearing Union might become the pivot of future economic Government of the world. The arrangements proposed can be described as a measure of financial disarmament." The British Government is not committed to the plan which will be discussed at Washington at an Inter-Allied Conference at the end of April.—Reuter.

ROOSEVELT REVERSES POLICY

NEW YORK: Discussing the currency stabilization plan "New York Times" to-day says: "The principles, Secretary Morgenthau lays down are the exact opposite to those the President enunciated in his famous wireless message that torpedoed the London Economic Conference in 1933. If Secretary Morgenthau now speaks for the President more authoritatively, the President has reversed his policy."

Morgenthau Suggests Currency Stabilisation Fund

WASHINGTON, April 7.

Proposals by Mr. Morgenthau, the United States Secretary of Treasury, regarding currency stabilisation which he put before a meeting of Senators yesterday was issued on Tuesday by the Press Department of the Treasury.

It consists of six main points. These provide for the stabilisation of exchange rates. The purpose of the suggested stabilisation fund is to establish the value of the currencies of the member countries.

The fund would fix rates at which it would buy or sell currencies of members of this fund. Changes in exchange rates could be made only with the approval of the fund and only to meet an extreme situation.

As any changes in exchange rates would be the result of international consultation, competitive currency depreciation among member countries would be prevented.

5,000 MILLION DOLLAR SUBSCRIPTION

The second point concerns the resources of this fund. To achieve this desired currency stability the fund would with adequate safeguards meet the legitimate needs of member countries for foreign exchange for their current transactions.

For this purpose member countries would subscribe at least 5,000 million dollars making initial payments of one half of the subscriptions in the form of gold currency and Government securities for each country's subscription would be based on the combination of such factors as its holdings of gold and foreign exchange, its national income and changes in its balance of payments position.

REMOVAL OF EXCHANGE CONTROLS

The third point is the removal of exchange controls. With these provisions the need for a continuation of exchange control by individual countries would be almost entirely removed.

No member of any country could adopt new exchange control measures except to curb undesirable capital movements and then only with the consent of the fund.

Multiple currencies devices and bilateral exchange clearing arrangements would also be prohibited unless approved by the fund.

The fund would make possible liberation of blocked balances resulting from the war, where the immediate freeing of such balances would cause serious domestic and international repercussions.

POWERS OF FUND

The fourth point concerns the powers of the fund. The fund would be given power to buy and sell gold currencies and with their approval securities of member countries.

The fund could also borrow local currencies with the approval of the Governments concerned. The fund would deal only with treasuries, central banks or fiscal agents or member countries and with international banks owned predominantly by member countries.

NEW INTERNATIONAL UNIT

The fifth point concerns the new international unit. This proposal provides for an international gold monetary unit called the "units" equal in value to ten dollars in terms of which the accounts of the fund would be kept.

The fund would not issue "units" coins or notes but member countries could deposit gold with the fund for credit in "units" redeemable in gold which could be transferred between member countries.

MANAGEMENT OF FUND

The sixth point concerns the management of the fund. It would be managed by a board of directors representing member governments. Each country would have voting power related to its subscription to the fund but no country could have more than 25 per cent of the total votes. In general, the decisions of the Board, Directors would be made by a majority vote except for certain operations where a vote of four-fifths would be necessary. Day to day operations would be carried on by the Managing Director and Executive Committee appointed by the Board.—Reuter.

Ex-Premier's Detained Son To Face Trial

Commotion In Karachi Court: Big Round-up In Belgaum District

PESHAWAR, April 7.

Mr. Obeidullah Khan, son of Dr. Khan Sahib, ex-Premier of the Frontier, and Mr. Abdul Karim Khan of the Azad School at Utmanzai, who were arrested a few months ago under D. I. R. will now be tried under the Frontier Crimes Regulation.

EXPLOSION IN COURT

KARACHI: A commotion was caused in the Chief Court building to-day when explosive substances lying in a tin trunk while being removed to the Sessions Court room to be shown as an exhibit in a case exploded with a terrific report injuring two Court peons carrying it.

The site was visited by the Hon. the Chief Judge and other officials of the Court.

Later the jury after being empanelled in a case under D. I. R., Arms Act and the Explosive Substances Act against Ramchand Hundraj was taken to the scene where the explosion had occurred.

It will be recalled that during November last the Sind C. I. D. on searching a place had recovered explosive materials, cartridges, ammunition and Congress bulletins and arrested two persons who were committed to Sessions. Their trial opened to-day before Mr. Justice Hatim Tyabji.

The case has been adjourned till to-morrow.

Big Round-up In Belgaum District

BELGAUM: Guru Chandrayya Swami, head of the Balayya Swami Math at Tavag in Gokak Taluka, was arrested under Rule 129 of D.I.R. along with his brother. About 50 persons have been rounded up in Gokak Taluka. The police have taken into custody about 20 persons at Khanapur, Mugut-Khan Hubli, Bedkihal and Nandgad.

A bridegroom was taken into custody at Suidhal, after the police rounded up the members of the wedding party.

A number of searches were carried out at Akangirbal and a few persons arrested. Records of primary schools at Markatti, Turkar, Shigihal and Hulkund were damaged by fire. A country liquor booth at Khangaon was damaged by fire. An attempt was made to set on fire the P.W.D. bungalow at Hulikatti.

SATARA: B. R. Deshpande, a clerk, was taken into custody after a search of his residence had been made. Sonopant Shiralkar, B. V. Dhopate and Dattopant Deshpande have been released on a month's parole.

SHOLAPUR: P. A. Soudagar has been taken into custody under Rule 129 of D.I.R. A person hailing from Walsang has been sentenced to one month's R.I. and to pay a fine of Rs. 100, for being in possession of an unlicensed sword.

SURAT ARRESTS

SURAT: Champaklal Zaverdas has been arrested for leading an unauthorised procession. Three ladies have been arrested for taking out an unauthorised procession from Roorala Tekra. According to a report received from Limbdi, a terrible fire broke out there as a result of which 15,000 maunds of corn, currency notes worth Rs. 1,430 and cloth and household materials worth about Rs. 13,000 were burnt down.

SESSION CONFIRMS SENTENCE

NASIK: The District and Sessions Judge of Nasik dismissed the appeal preferred by Dagu Appa Jalnekar, L. S. Vaidya, S. V. Puranik and V. P. Shelar against the sentence of two years' R.I. awarded by the lower court under D.I.R.. The Sessions Judge confirmed the sentence of the lower court under Section 35 (4) and Section 55 (4) of D.I.R.

The Resident Magistrate of Manmad awarded a sentence of 18 months' each to Punjaba Namdeo Mali and Govinda Bala Teli and of one year's R.I. to Murlidhar Bhau Teli under Sec. 55 (4) D.I.R. The accused were charged with having collected persons in front of the cheap grain shop at Nandgaon on October 13 last, without the permission of the District Magistrate. It was further stated that the crowd became unruly, attacked the grain shop and sold away the 'bajri' from the shop without the permission of the management.

Mr. Indirabai Chandratre has been arrested by the police under D.I.R.

Police raided th eresidence of Miss Veena Ranade, a student of the Hansraj Pragji Thackersey College, today and recovered some alleged objectionable literature. She has been arrested under D.I.R.

Explosions In Kolhapur, 24 Arrested

KOLHAPUR, April 7.

Two explosions occurred in different parts of the City. A few persons sustained injuries.

Nearly 24 persons were taken into custody round about Mangaon

18 SENTENCED

Eighteen persons from Ahmedabad, including four ladies, were sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment each for an attempt to take out a 'morcha' to the Aga Khan's Palace during Gandhiji's recent fast.

Two cases of waylaying are reported on the outskirts of the City.

Mr. S. D. Jawadekar, editor of the 'Lokashakti', was released on a month's parole to see his ailing son at Bijapur

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FUTURE OF THE 'PIR PAGARO'

Dow Outlines Plans For Reclamation Of Hurs

KARACHI, April 7.

The future of the Pir Pagaro "institution" and the Government's plans to turn Hurs into contented and law abiding citizens were referred to Sir Hugh Dow, addressing the annual general meeting of the Karachi Chamber of Commerce today.

His Excellency said that the suppression of the Hur disturbances and the rounding up of the ring leaders responsible for them was now in its final stages. The Government intended to make a great effort to reform the Hurs and to close finally "this dark and dismal chapter of Sind's history, every page of which is clotted with treason and blood". The Government have therefore no intention, added His Excellency, of giving further recognition and encouragement to an institution, which for over a hundred years has been the recurrent cause of so much murder, rapine and misery in Sind.

Referring to the continuance of martial law and the Government's plans for the post-martial law period, His Excellency said that both the civil and military authorities intend that martial law should last only as long as necessary, and not a day longer. After the martial law had been raised, troops in aid of the civil power should still be stationed within that area. The newly raised battalion of the Sind Police Rifles would be kept on duty. The present martial law regulations would, as far as possible, be duplicated by notifications under the Defence of India Rules, and a special commissioner would be placed in charge of law and order and all other matters relating to the Hurs. And as existing restrictions were progressively relaxed, they should have in mind the convenience and wellbeing of the law abiding population and certainly not the clamour of those who found them an irksome handicap in the pursuit of their subversive activities.—A. P.

Yogic Exercises For British Women

(From Our Own Correspondent).

LONDON, April 7.

To-day's "Daily Mirror" urges British women to take interest in the science of Yoga.

It says they will have to take to Yoga if they want to keep their figures as corsets and elastic belts are almost unobtainable.

According to the "Daily Mirror" in fact one firm demanded a medical certificate from a woman before it would make her corset. The "Mirror" explains that in Yogic exercises, vocal sounds such as 'Om' are used. It is hardly credible to say 'Om' will do anything shattering to the waistline, but there is nothing like trying. The "Mirror" then mentions several Yogic exercises with detailed instructions as to how to take deep breath and say 'Om' with hands folded before the chest with feet standing together and with the stomach muscles sharply pulled in.

The "Mirror's" final advice to women readers is "develop your own muscle-girdle—others are going the way of butter and eggs".

Begum Azad's Condition Serious

CALCUTTA, April 7.

Begum Azad, wife of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, was examined this evening by Dr. B. C. Roy, who returned to Calcutta to-day from Delhi.

In the opinion of Dr. Roy and the attending physician, "the condition of the Begum Saheba continues to be serious."—A. P.

Eden Sees Maisky

LONDON, April 7.

The Foreign Secretary Mr. Anthony Eden saw the Russian Ambassador M. Maisky in London to-day.—Reuter.

Soviet Advance In Kuban

Guerillas In Ukraine Blow Up German Armoured Train & Rly. Lines

MOSCOW, April 7.

Morning despatch from Reuter's special correspondent says: The Russians are standing their ground against the first signs of an all-out attack by the Germans to throw them out of their bridgeheads on the western bank of the Upper Donetz.

After repeated attacks with fresh forces of tanks and infantry throughout yesterday, Hitler's generals made yet another attempt to pierce the Soviet lines during the night.

RED ARMY'S ADVANCE TOWARDS KERCH

The despatch adds: Yesterday, big German forces operating south of Izyum again made no impression on Soviet defence positions. The Russians in fact improved their positions on one sector.

Russian advance along the Kuban valley continued yesterday. Another place was wrested from the Germans bringing the Red Army one step nearer the Kerch peninsula.

Last night a large German patrol was trapped and annihilated to a man.

GERMAN RAILWAY LINES BLOWN UP

The supplement to to-day's Soviet 'communique' says: South of Izyum, Soviet units repelled a German attack. In the region of the Middle Donetz, a German tank attack was also repulsed and Soviet artillery destroyed a number of German pillboxes and men holding them.

West of Rostov, a Red Army patrol which raided Axis positions blew up an ammunition dump. The Germans were thrown back with big losses when they tried to attack in two groups on Volkhov front. Guerillas in the Ukraine blew up a German armoured train and overwhelmed the garrison of the railway station, blew up the railway lines.—Reuter.

MRS. NAIDU'S HEALTH

Slight Setback In Condition

HYDERABAD (Dn), April 7.

A bulletin on Mrs. Sarojini Naidu's health by the Doctors attending on her says:

"There has been a slight setback in the condition of Mrs. Naidu. She has been running temperature of hundred degrees fahrenheit for the past three days. Repeated examinations of the blood do not reveal any malarial parasites. Though she is rested, she looks a bit exhausted."—A. P.

Rajaji In Madras

MADRAS, April 7.

Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar returned to Madras last night from Delhi by the Grand Trunk Express.—A. P.

BEVERLEY NICHOLS OPERATED

An operation was carried out on Wednesday on Mr. Beverley Nichols' foot. He has been suffering from a poisoned foot since his arrival in India five weeks ago. The medical advisers have ordered him complete rest before he resumes his literary duties.

ARRESTS IN SICILY & SARDINIA

Reuter's special correspondent in Zurich cables:—Copies of General Giraud's appeal to the Italian people to lay down their arms have been widely distributed in Sicily and Sardinia by Italian anti-Fascists. Over a hundred people including 20 women and 10 children have been arrested by Fascist militia and plain clothes Gestapo Agents as a result.—Reuter.

FAST UNTO DEATH

LUCKNOW, April 6.

Protesting against the Hindu Intestate Succession Bill three Sanatanists from Ajodhya propose to fast unto death before the residence of Sir Sultan Ahmed at New Delhi. According to them this bill cuts at the root of Hindu Society as conceived by Manu.—Orient Press.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (July)

New York, April 7.

Previous closing	.....320.10
To-day's opening	.....20.10
Difference	..... Nil.

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON
Previous closing 4.03

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
To-day's opening and closing 4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers.

LONDON MARKETS

London, April 7.

GOLD AND SILVER
London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0
Spot and Forward 23 1/2d.

CROSS RATES
London on Bombay 1-6 1/32 sellers; 1-6 31/32 buyers.
New York on Bombay (30.37) 30.37

DISCOUNTS.
3 months 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent.
4 months 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent.
6 months 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent.

SEEDS
Castorseeds Bombay April/May £38
Linseed Calcutta April/May £24
Linseed La Plata April/May £19 3/4
Groundnut Coromandal April/May East Coast Indian shipment £38 West Coast Indian shipment £38

METALS.
Electric Copper (£26?) £62
Lead (£25) £28
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (133 sh.) 131 sh.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

The London Stock Exchange was mainly steady today.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York April 7.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:
General Motors dol 50 7/8
Anaconda Copper Mining dol 30 3/4
United States Steel Common dol 50 3/8
United States Steel Preference dol 117 5/8

"Swaraj is my birth-right and I will have it."
—TILAK.

The Bombay Chronicle

FUTILE AS EVER

The India debate in the House of Lords was as futile as that in the Commons. Lord Munster merely rang changes on Mr. Amery's familiar "talking points" and his speech was as nauseating as that of the Secretary of State in its self-righteousness and its protestations of the British Government's sincerity and desire to transfer power to India as soon as possible. "There is no unwillingness", he said, "on the part of His Majesty's Government to transfer full responsibility in India once these internal disagreements have been removed and resolved." If ever there was any such willingness, it has not been expressed in any clear unequivocal statement. Every pledge has been vague and subject to an indefinite number of vaguer reservations. Even now we are told that "the broad principles" of the Cripps offer are still open, whatever that may mean. And one of the broad principles is, we suppose, the refusal to transfer Defence even if all the parties in India demanded the transfer. However, we need not discuss the point further in the absence of any clear offer about immediate transfer of power. As regards the transfer after the war, it will come about whether or not Britain starts with an offer. An honourable compromise is possible now amidst war conditions. There can be no compromise regarding India's independence after the war.

Lord Samuel seemed to suggest that "there must be some change in the position of the Viceroy, which would put the Viceroy in the same position as the Governor-Generals in the Dominions" as it would enable him to appoint some Indian statesman as the Prime Minister and enable him to constitute an Indian Government. But these points, he added, could not be a solution so long as the Congress takes the attitude it does which is equivalent to withdrawing his suggestion. Another suggestion of Lord Samuel was for "studious explorations" to be made into "the possibilities of the various forms of constitution applicable to the various conditions of India." Lord Hailey, too, suggested that "a fact finding committee of experts from a number of other countries should be set up to consider constitutional alternatives to the parliamentary form of Government for India." It may be remembered that Sir Stanley Reed, in a recent letter to the "Times" of London, suggested a constitutional inquiry by a body "mainly, if not entirely, composed of Indian publicists." Finally, Sir A. Ramaswami Mudaliar, Indian Member of the War Cabinet, made a similar suggestion in a lecture in London. It almost seems as if a fresh "talking point" had been circulated by Mr. Amery. Now, all these suggestions ignore the actual prevalent conditions. If the inquiry suggested is for a post-war constitution, it will be part of the scheme of a Constituent Assembly and Congress has already declared that it will accept the principle of arbitration on all points of dispute. In fact it was partly with a view to preparing the ground for a Constituent Assembly that the Congress insisted on an immediate National Government though the main object of the demand was to improve the defence of India. For the formation of a National Government any elaborate inquiry by experts is not necessary, nor is any inquiry possible without the help the Congress leaders who are now precluded from having any part in it. The fact seems to be that British politicians are desperately trying to show to the world that what stands in the way of India's freedom is not Britain's unwillingness to part with power but differences in India. But they are futile efforts. And the world knows this.

Sir A. R. Mudaliar made a significant remark in his London speech that the speeches of leading statesmen in America clearly indicated that in post-war talks they were not likely to disinterest themselves in the affairs of India and that the problem was to give them an opportunity to do so without in any way making them direct interventionists, much less arbitrators either between Britain and India or among the political parties in India itself. America, Russia, China and India have as much right to have their say in post-war reconstruction in all major issues as Britain claims to have. And America will not be fooled into confining her interest in India to "fact-finding about India's communal differences." The only regret is that America seems to postpone her efforts to help India till after the war. If the efforts are made earlier, they may ensure a speedier and more decisive victory.

Indians' Rights In S. Africa

Reuter's summary of the Broom Report on Indian penetration in Durban [illegible] of Dr. [illegible] Mine [illegible] and [illegible] con-

ures to show how many more sites in predominantly European quarters Indians purchased in 1942 and 1943 than in the previous years. But it does not give the essential figures about the proportion between the area acquired by Indians and the total area in the European quarters, though only these figures indicate accurately the extent of Indian penetration. As regards the reasons for the Indian acquisitions of property in European areas the report points out that "it is not within the terms of reference of the commission to investigate the reasons." It was for this very reason that the Natal Indian Association boycotted the commission after protesting against the narrow scope of the inquiry, which kept out the very reasons which justified the acquisition of property. However, the main point is that the acquisition is thoroughly legal and from every point of view legitimate. It is the right of everyone domiciled in the country. And Indians ought not to be robbed of that right on any ground, and certainly not as a result of racial discrimination.

Does Mr. Churchill Repent?

In the course of the debate on India in the House of Lords, Lord Hailey is reported to have urged the Prime Minister, Mr. Churchill, "to disabuse people's minds of the false impressions which had been created by what he said before on India." Lest his countrymen and the world at large forget what Mr. Churchill had said about India and Indians in the not distant past, we quote below some of the things he had uttered before he became the Premier of his country:—

"Sooner or later you will have to crush Gandhi and the Indian Congress and all they stand for."—January, 1930.

"The British nation has no intention whatever of relinquishing control of Indian life and progress..... We have no intention of casting away that most truly bright and precious jewel in the crown of the King, which, more than all our Dominions and Dependencies, constitutes the glory and strength of the British Empire."—December, 1930.

"We have always contemplated it (Dominion Status) as ultimate goal, but no one has supposed, except in a purely ceremonious sense in the way in which representatives of India attend Conferences during the war, that the principle and policy for India would be carried into effect in any time which it is reasonable or useful for us to foresee."—January, 1931.

"Most of the leading public men—of whom I was one in those days—made speeches—I certainly did—about Dominion Status, but I did not contemplate India having the same constitutional rights and system as Canada in any period which we can foresee.....England, apart from her Empire in India, ceases for ever to exist as a great power."—December, 1931.

Has Mr. Churchill ever repented of these utterances of his? Have not every pronouncement of his and every act, too, in relation to India and Indians, since he became the Premier of his country, rather gone to lend every support to the bitterly hostile sentiments he cherishes towards the people of this country, its leaders and their aspirations?

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Ridiculous Excuse

An attempt is apparently being made in London to furnish an apologetic explanation of General Eisenhower's bombshell. It is suggested that "General de Gaulle's arrival in Algiers would be a sensational political event. It is felt that just when the Allies are approaching the crisis of the Tunisian campaign, political sensations should, if possible, be avoided". This is such a ridiculous excuse that it would be hardly possible to credit it to any sensible person. A "political sensation" of the kind cannot, in the first place, affect the actual campaign on the battle. And if in the second place, it does, it is likely to raise the morale of the forces fighting the Axis. Unless, therefore, there is a better reason for General Eisenhower's action, one will have regretfully to conclude that the American leader has blundered very badly.

Shipping Losses

It is, of course, unfortunate that shipping losses in the Atlantic should have been considerably worse as Colonel Knox reveals, in March than February. But there is no justification for taking an alarmist view of the situation. With the improvement in the weather, submarine activity is bound to increase. In fact, both America and Britain have been definitely expecting it. But what is more, they have been making ready for it. They have been developing at speed and in quantity methods and material for combating the U-boat and they have been meeting with success, too. Moreover, production of ships is now far in excess of sinkings. The situation is comparatively more favourable than at

tainly not be urged as an excuse to delay the invasion of Europe.

"Gift" To China

One can appreciate Mr. Churchill's eagerness to send personal gifts of the "Desert Victory" film to leaders of the United Nations. Mr. Churchill is justly proud of the achievements of the British Eighth Army. It won a great victory at El Alamein. And it was an extremely important victory, too. For, it not only removed the danger to Egypt and the Middle East but also rendered the expulsion of the Axis from Africa a practical possibility which has now become a virtual certainty. But granting all that, it is rather ironical that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek should be sent a film of how Allied forces, given adequate equipment, can beat the enemy, while China has been fighting the Japs, unaided and without the equipment which she rightly expects from Britain and America. Mr. Churchill's tribute to Chinese troops makes the irony still worse.

Foretaste Of Future

The coming Allied invasion seems to have already cast its shadows upon Italy. Mussolini is reported to have sent an S. O. S. to Hitler for troops, planes and A. A. guns for defending the country. In response to this piteous appeal the Fuehrer has promptly dispatched—Ribbentrop! Whether the German Foreign Minister, whose stock is none too high at present, will be able to allay the Duce's fears remains to be seen. Meanwhile what amounts to an open if minor rupture between Germany and Italy has been reported from France over the transfer of certain British and American citizens to Germany. This is interesting and is only a foretaste of what is likely to occur when the Tunisian campaign is over and Italy faces the full might and fury of the Allies.

Broome Report On Indian Infiltration

CAPE TOWN, April 7.

The report of Justice F. N. Broome on Indian penetration in Durban was tabled in the South African Assembly to-day.

The chief points made in the report are that in the first two months of 1943, Indians in Durban paid more for sites in European areas than in any complete year between 1927 and 1939; the number of sites acquired by Indians in predominantly European areas in 1942 is two and a half times greater than the highest previous yearly total—that for 1939; total amount paid by Indians in acquisition of sites in European areas between 1-10-40 and 28-2-43 is almost equal to the total amount paid by Indians for such properties in the whole period 1927-39.

The report shows that the total number of properties acquired by Indians in predominantly European areas in 1942 was 195 (purchase price £336,500 rateable value £241,200) the previous highest yearly total being 78 in 1939 (purchase price £99,480 rateable value £81,620).

NOT INVESTIGATING REASONS

The report points out that it is not within the terms of reference of the commission to investigate reasons for the Indian acquisitions of property in European areas.

Before the opening of the commission's public sittings on 16/3/43 both the Natal Indian Association and the Natal Indian Congress protested against the narrow scope of the inquiry.

After handing in a written protest at the first public sitting, the Natal Indian Association withdrew from the inquiry.

The Brooke commission regarded non-participation of the Natal Indian Association as unfortunate since this association had hitherto been recognised officially as a body representing the Indian community of Natal.

The Indian community was however represented by the Natal Indian Congress", whose officials performed their duties with industry and ability and the commission has now reason to believe that the withdrawal of the Natal Indian Association resulted in insufficient investigation of any relevant matter."

The commission was satisfied by the statistics produced by the City Council that the Indian property buying has increased to a greater extent than European and says that this is what one would expect.

The report mentions two other possible reasons for increased Indian acquisitions, firstly, that the general public formed a mistaken impression of the effect of the 1940 commission found there had been no Indian penetration in Durban and secondly, that Indians are anxious to pass through the door while still ajar, but says that this is merely speculation.—Reuter.

SIMPLEST WAY TO PAY COMPENSATION

MADRAS, April 7.

The Madras Government have ordered that when a requisitioned motor vehicle is destroyed or so damaged by fire or accidents as to be unfit for further use, it or its remains should be acquired at once. They consider that this is the simplest way to compensation for the loss of the vehicle, the compensation being fixed at the estimated market value of the vehicle.—A. P.

Bahai Evangelist Arriving In Bombay

Mrs. Shirin Fozdar, the well-known Bahai Evangelist and Social worker is arriving in Bombay on the 9th to conduct the meeting of the All-India National Bahai [illegible]

Invite Indian Leaders To London

Farringdon's Way To End Deadlock: Samuel's Plea For Indian Premier: Hailey Suggests Committee Of Experts

LONDON, April 7.

In the course of the Lords debate on the Indian situation yesterday Lord Farringdon (labour) said that there was basis for agreement with the Congress Leaders, many of whose aims were the same as the British Government's. "The White Paper gives no evidence of its source or on what the Government based their belief in its authenticity. Denial of its authenticity is not perhaps conclusive, but it is at least evidence, that the Congress do not wish the policy outlined in it to be attributed to them.

Lord Farringdon denied that Mr. Gandhi is a dictator or the Congress a totalitarian body. He criticised the Viceroy's refusal to allow Mr. Rajagopalachari and other Indian leaders to see Mr. Gandhi. He suggested the British Government should invite leaders of all parties to meet in London "to see whether something cannot be hammered out." The co-operation of Allied Governments should be obtained if possible.

ON CONGRESS CLAIM

Lord Samuel (liberal) said that the Congress Party had to a great extent thrown over democratic philosophy which it had purported to defend and promote. "It shows signs of turning towards totalitarianism. I do not regard Mr. Gandhi as a dictator but the Congress party are a single party claiming to speak for the whole nation and they have insisted that elected Ministers in provinces shall be subject to the instructions of the Congress Working Committee and those within the Congress whom they term the Higher Command. Next to Mr. Gandhi, the most distinguished figure is Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, whose ability and self-sacrifice and devotion to the cause in which he believes and whose intellectual powers have made him a striking figure in the politics of India."

It is a pity that leaders of the Congress do not realise that glory is not to be won in India by abandoning the cause of mankind. In the name of non-violence they have led a movement, which was characterised in many places by utmost violence and the White Paper gives clear proof of the complicity of the Indian Congress leaders in disorders.

MR. GANDHI FACED US WITH AN UTTERLY ILLEGITIMATE METHOD OF POLITICAL CONTROVERSY, LEVYING BLACK-MAIL ON THE BEST OF HUMAN EMOTIONS, PITY AND SYMPATHY, BY HIS FAST. THE ONLY CREDITABLE THING TO MR. GANDHI ABOUT THAT FAST WAS ENDING IT."

WHY NOT AN INDIAN PREMIER?

Referring to what he said in a former debate, Lord Samuel continued that there must be a change in the position of the Viceroy, which would put the Viceroy in the same position as the Governor-Generals in the Dominions.

It would enable him to appoint some Indian statesman as Prime Minister and enable him to constitute an Indian Government. But these points could not be a solution so long as the Congress takes the attitude it does and so long as by repercussion the Muslim League takes its opposition.

A NEW SUGGESTION

There must be a change in the atmosphere. The only new suggestion we can make is that, since active politicians in India have brought matters to a complete deadlock that seems likely to endure, would it be possible to relegate the matter until some change of atmosphere takes place to the realm of political scientists. Let some studious explorations be made into the possibilities of the various forms of constitution applicable to the various conditions of India. The principle of majority rule having come to a dead end, what possible principles might be applied.

FOR EXPERTS COMMITTEE

Lord Hailey urged the Prime Minister Mr. Churchill to disabuse people's minds of false impressions which had been created by what he said before on India. He also suggested that Indianisation of the Viceroy's Executive Council should be completed now and that a Fact Finding Committee of experts from a number of other countries should be set up to consider constitutional alternatives to the Parliamentary form of Government for India.

Snell's Reply

Replying for Government, Lord Snell, Deputy Leader of the House, said: "The Indian people themselves know how difficult and how immense the problem is and they also know that the difficulties reside in India and nowhere else." Lord Snell advised Indian leaders continually to reconsider the problem without reference to past experiences. They should, without prejudice or passion, recrimination or ungenerous and weakening suspicion, agreed to examine the question afresh. The gulf which separates Indian leaders from each other and which separates the Congress from the Viceroy is now unbridgeable. I ask the Indian people whether it may not be possible that a third party ardently desiring the good of all such as ourselves could not helpfully contribute its own experiences. What is required is that differences should be subordinated and we should build on the basis of agreement."

The debate then ended; six motions were agreed to and the House rose.—Reuter.

"Give New Constructive Turn To Indian Policy"

LONDON, April 7.

The present time is the "moment at which no opportunity should be lost of giving a new constructive turn to Indian policy" says the London "Times" in an editorial to-day.

It is evidently not the time for any spectacular action although the new Viceroy who will take office in the autumn may well bring new ideas with him. The time is more appropriate to study than action and study before action is in any case a plain necessity."

The newspaper refers to the proposal made in a letter to the "Times" on Monday by Sir Stanley Reed for setting up a commission composed mainly of Indian publicists and says "such a commission would have the function of exploring the ground on which the parties of India might feel their way towards agreement on essentials. It would no doubt examine the reasons why the constitution of 1935 has failed to secure Indian co-operation but it would be able to consider other forms of constitution that may be better suited to Indian needs.

Lord Samuel in his speech yesterday was in general agreement with this proposal and later in the afternoon it was fortified with the weight of Lord Hailey's authority. What will be most useful at present is an accurate analysis of the possible methods of constitutional advance that lie open to the peoples of India. They are many.

Mr. Gandhi's hasty assumption that India was about to be conquered by the advancing Japanese armies has proved a gross miscalculation. He has led a largely reluctant Congress party into a 'cul de sac'."—Reuter.

ISLAMIC RESEARCH ON STORY OF KASHMIR

The tenth annual general meeting of the Islamic Research Association was held at the Town Hall, Bombay, on Wednesday evening. Mr. Ali Mohamed Mecklai presided.

At the outset Mr. A. A. A. Fyzee read out the minutes of the previous year's general meeting. Dr. Sufi then moved the annual report which was followed by the reading out of the annual accounts both items being duly adopted.

The meeting then elected Mr. Mecklai as the Association's President for the ensuing term.

After the formal business was over Miss M. Syrier a Continental scholar of Islamic Research read out an interesting paper on Ibn-e-Khaldun, whom she described as a great Muslim thinker, historian, philosopher and sociologist. He was born in Tunis and lived during the second half of the 14th century. He was an active diplomat and a shrewd politician and wrote his own autobiography the manuscript of which was found in Cairo and taken to Paris.

Dr. H. F. Al-Hamdani, spoke next on South Arabia.

Dr. G. M. D Sufi spoke about the book which he has written on Kashmir the original name of which was "Kashir". The book deals with the history of Kashmir from early times to the advent of Islam there. Muslims were according to the research made by Dr. Sufi connected with Kashmir. Islam was introduced into Kashmir not by the conqueror but by a simple Fakir whose preachings attracted the attention of the people of the place. The author in his book had also dealt with the contribution of Kashmir genius to Persian poetry.

Mr. A. A. A. Fyzee spoke about his recent visit to the Aligarh University where he had contacted most of the workers in Indian history. Exclusive work is being done by Prof. Mohamed Habib and Sheikh Abdul Rashid.

DEARNESS ALLOWANCE MUST BE INCREASED

Central Govt. Employees' Demand

NEW DELHI, April 6.

Increased dearness allowance is demanded in a resolution passed by the joint meeting of the members of the Imperial Secretariat Association Army and Air Headquarters' Association, Civil Accounts' Association (A.G.C.R.), D.A G.P. and T. Association and attached and Subordinate Offices' Association.

The resolution urges upon the Government to grant 75 per cent dearness allowance to those drawing Rs. 100 or less and 50 per cent to those drawing Rs. 100 to Rs. 500, 20 per cent to those drawing Rs. 501 to Rs. 1,000 and 10 per cent to those drawing 1,001 to Rs. 1,250. Regret is expressed at the failure of the Government to appreciate the extent of the hardship caused to its employees by the continuous rise in prices of all commodities, particularly foodstuffs, dairy-products, piece-goods, medicines, fuel etc., the increase in most cases being 400 to 500 per cent above pre-war rates.

The resolution impresses upon the Government not only the inadequacy of the relief granted to the low paid, but "the very real necessity" of extending relief to the staff as a whole, "in order to avoid further deterioration in the general position and indebtedness on the part of its employees."—A. P.

'Bad Blundering' Colonial Policy

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, April 6.

The "News Chronicle" strongly attacks editorially the Government's recent statements over the future of colonies.

It describes Lord Stanley's Oxford speech and Mr. Churchill's approval thereof as 'bad blundering.'

Two Allied Generals Escape From Italy

WELLINGTON, April 7.

It is officially disclosed here today that two Generals recently escaped from Italy into Switzerland. They were Generals Hargest and Miles.

Mr. Frazer said that the two Generals were now at Berne.

CHURCHILL ON NEW AFRICAN VICTORY

WESTMINSTER, April 7.

Mr. Churchill announced in the Commons: "I have received reports from the High Command, Tunisia that a new victory has been gained by the Desert Army".

"General Montgomery ordered his main forces to the assault of the Akarit position north of Gabes.

A hole was blasted in the centre of the 12 miles of the defensive line through which our armour and mobile forces were immediately ordered to advance. Over 6,000 prisoners have been taken so far. Rommel's army is now retreating northwards and is being heavily pursued.

COUNTER-ATTACKS REPULSED

All counter-attacks were repulsed and the advance of the British armour was taken by nightfall to open country. The advance of the British and Indian Infantry divisions was covered by a barrage of about 500 guns which is practically on the El Alamein scale.

"This successful frontal attack should enable the Desert Army to join hands with the United States forces which have been pressing the enemy unceasingly from the west".

Replying to the Labourite Mr. F. J. Bellenger who asked whether the report indicated the Desert Army was engaged with the enemy's main forces on [illegible] the rearguard, Mr. Churchill said, "The enemy retreat did not begin until the assault was successful".

ENEMY TAKEN BY SURPRISE

Continuing Mr. Churchill said: "The enemy appeared to be taken by surprise by this attack out of the pitch darkness. His fortified positions were overwhelmed and by noon all dominant key points were in our hands.

"ROMMEL IN FULL RETREAT"

Reuter's military correspondent says, Rommel is in full retreat. Pursued by the Eighth Army, he cannot expect to find any suitable natural line to make a stand before the region of Sousse which would mean a retreat of 150 miles.

ATTACK ON AKARIT POSITIONS

Allied Headquarters in North Africa: A "communique" says "The Eighth Army successfully attacked Akarit positions on April 6 and drove a wide wedge into enemy positions after very heavy fighting. Enemy counter-attacks on bridgehead position were repulsed. Five thousand prisoners were captured.

Fighting continues in the El Guettar sector. On the remainder of the front our patrols were active.

SIX ENEMY SHIPS SUNK

The 'communique' adds: On Monday night, Wellington bombers of the strategic airforce attacked docks and shipping at Tunis. Bombs were seen to burst in the target area and a large fire was started Heavy and very successful attacks were carried out yesterday by heavy, medium and fighter-bombers on shipping in the Sicilian Straits and the docks at Trapani.

Six enemy ships in convoy were sunk and an ammunition ship was blown up.

At Trapani, many ships of all classes were sunk and others severely damaged and fires were started in the dock area. Flying Fortresses while bombing the convoy off Bizerta were attacked by enemy fighters and destroyed 15 of them.

53 AXIS PLANES DESTROYED

ALGIERS:— The destruction of four Italian torpedo bombers yesterday evening just announced brings the total of Axis planes destroyed in 24 hours to 53.

MESSINA HARBOUR ATTACKED

CAIRO: A 'communique' from the United States Airforce to-day says: "Liberator bombers of the Ninth United States Airforce successfully attacked Messina harbour on the night of April 6. Direct hits were scored on the ferry, buildings and quays. Enemy fighters attacked our formation and one of them was shot down. All our aircraft returned safely".

"BATTLES IN FULL SWING"

BERLIN: Today's German 'communique' stated "On the south Tunisian front the enemy after strong artillery preparation again launched an attack. Battles are in full swing".

TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

Happily there has been no lack in this country of young men of every community eager to volunteer for service as pilots in the Air Force, but the number found fit has not been so satisfactory. Yet flying is only a part of the service. There is the vast and complicated machinery of maintenance into which young men of every grade and category can be absorbed.

—Anglo-India.

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Lord Munster, India's New Under-Secretary of State and no unworthy successor of the aristocratic Duke of Devonshire, (the noble Lord is the fifth Earl, and bears the name of Geoffrey William Richard Hugh Fitz Clarence) is also no unworthy assistant of the Leopard or a member of the British Government. His speech, therefore, is something of which the Leopard himself may well be proud.

True, the noble Earl has not suggested that Mahatma Gandhi is an unscrupulous politician but he *has* explained the meaning and implications of the British Government's "Cripps Offer."

The offer—a pledge of freedom after the war, says the Earl, holds good and, further to emphasise that it does hold good, Lord Munster gives the clear authoritative assurance that as soon *after the war* as Indian political parties arrive at an agreement (cf the Leopard's tribute to the sincerely irreconcilable principles of two extremes, the Muslim League and the Mahasabha) the Cripps offer will come into force.

You see the point? No? Then let us quote another solemn assurance given by the Earl of Munster and inadvertently omitted by Sir Stafford Cripps:

"But until the day arrives when we *(sic)* can announce to the world that an agreement amongst the Indians themselves has been reached (cf again the Leopard's tribute) the British people cannot surrender to the forces of anarchy and they must continue to be responsible for the welfare and peace of this vast land—and its millions—of India."

Yes, there is no more unscrupulous a politician than Gandhi.

You ought to be grateful that that shockingly unscrupulous man is in jail and you must fervently pray to God, morning, afternoon and evening for continued maintenance of that great boon to India, British trusteeship.

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We are informed authroitatively that aerodromes which have been consorted in India—at India's expense—"would make a broad concrete road stretching the whole distance of 1,100 miles between Bombay to Calcutta."

It is not stated however, what length in yards would be needed by the I.A.F. aircraft if placed on that concrete road.

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Announcing that Mr. William Phillips is returning to the U.S. shortly, a Washington message emphasises that "the trip has as its sole object the presentation of a preliminary report."

This ought to reassure Lord Halifax, Mr. Amery and Lord Linlithgow who might have feared that the trip was less innocent.

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"A copy of the "Desert Victory" Film of the Eighth Army with a special translation in Chinese is on its way to Chungking as a personal gift from the Premier to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek."

—Reuter.

Isn't there a biblical saying about asking for something and being given—er—something else? We hope the Generalissimo is not reminded of it.

To Take Up Indian Question With Roosevelt

NEW DELHI, April 7.

Mr. William Phillips, who is expected to leave for the U. S. A. by the end of April, will take with him as full an understanding of the Indian problem as three months of constant study and discussion with men of all political persuasions, reinforced by personal visits to many parts of the country could enable a man of his diplomatic experience and training to obtain. Although he has not met—it is not known whether he made any effort to meet—Congress leaders in detention, his talks with men like Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar and Mr. K. M. Munshi and others must have been sufficient to give him an insight into the Congress mind and the Congress case.

Mr. Phillips met Mr. Jinnah yesterday for the first time, but had previously had opportunity to know the Muslim League attitude. He has made reports to Washington from time to time on the Indian situation, but it is believed that the time has come for personal discussion with President Roosevelt and Officials of the State Department.

Nazimuddin Sees Governor

CALCUTTA, April 7.— It is learned that Sir Nazimuddin, Leader of the Muslim League Party in the Bengal Assembly had another interview with H. E. the Governor to-day.—United Press.

Viceroy Leaves For Delhi

PESHAWAR, April 7.— After completing his tour of the Frontier, His Excellency the Viceroy left for Delhi this morning by air. —A. P.

New Year Book

The New Year Book for 1943 is a considerable improvement on its predecessors. It contains in a presentable form a mass of information or a variety of subjects. It is published by P. M. Bagchi and Company of Calcutta.

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LIABILITIES	Rs.
Notes held in the Banking Department	9,31,96,000
Notes in circulation	651,37,70,000
Total Notes issued	666,69,66,000
Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 74.478 per cent.	
ASSETS	Rs.
A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—	
(a) Held in India	44,41,43,000
Sterling Securities	447,65,92,000
B. Rupee Coin	14,09,35,000
Government of India Rupee Securities	154,52,98,000
Total Assets	660,69,66,000

GOVT. SECURITIES

BOMBAY, April 7.

2 3/4 per cent 1948-52 Loan 99/2
3 1/2 per cent G.P. Note 94
3 per cent 1949-52 Loan 100/7
3 per cent 1961-64 Loan 99/14
3 1/2 per cent 1942-50 Loan 103-15
5 per cent 1945-55 Loan 108-2
3 per cent 1963-65 Loan 95
4 per cent 1943 Bond 101/2
4 per cent 1960-70 Loan 110/7
4 1/2 per cent 1955-60 Loan 114/2
3 per cent 1946 Def. Loan 103

TAX FREE LOANS

4 per cent 1953-63 Mysore 119

CORP. DEBENTURES

4 per cent B.P.T. 1974 109
4 per cent M. Deb. 1974 1923
5 per cent M. Deb 1959 118
5 per cent M. Deb 1954 128
6 per cent K.P.T. 1956 128
5 per cent Mysore 1955 128

MADRAS SHARE BAZAR

MADRAS, April 7.

Deccan big 365; Deccan small 61; India sugar 13/8; Mysore sikny 63/8; South India 12/12; Travancore 15/6.

Cochin Malabar 19/8; cd Chembra peaks 14/8; Coorg 71; High Produce 56; xd Kalpettas 48/4; Malankara 93; Midland 21/12; nellithanam 19/8; Nellipathy Hills 8/12; Ouchterlony 15/10; Rajagiri 20/8; Vaikundam 27/8; Vellamalai 28; Veillitam 40; Woodlands 18/12.

Bangalore wol 375; B and Co. Ordy 310; Balasubramnia 181; Cambodia 38/8 cd. Coimbatore Spg. 291; Coimbatore Murugan 305; Coimbatore ditto New 145; Coimbarote pioneer 525; Coimbator. cm 381; xd Dhanlaxmi 575; Janardhana 184; Kaleeswar 757/8 cd Kothari Tex. 32/8; Lakshmi 241; Lakshmi new 142; Mettur 293; Madura 65; xd Pankaja 320; xd Palani ad Andavar 240; Rajalakshmi 292/8; Rahdakrishna 417/8; Rangavillas 202; cd Rajatalayam 350; Vasantha 328.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, April 6.

The Stock Exchange continued on a generally firm tendency with some good features notably internationals on the strength of Wall Street and Courtaulds a shilling higher at four-nine-and-nine on renewal of demand. Chinese bonds improved upto three on fair inquiry business, as a whole, however, remained rather quiet. Giltedgeds and home rails firmly maintained while Ultramar were again a good feature, Oils with a further rise of a shilling to four-six-shillings. Among industrials some irregularity was noticeable reflecting budget considerations and some realising. Kaffirs and Diamonds were rather quieter with Blyvoors one-and-three lower at five shillings but some selective Cape support was experienced.

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CITY MARKETS

Bombay, April 7.

SHARES: The local share bazar which displayed strength yesterday towards close was not maintained to-day. There was somewhat increased selling pressure and prices assumed sagging tendency.

Wall Street market yesterday touched new high levels for more than a year but profit-taking checked the rise. Dealings slackened at mid-day but later the session became the speediest of the past fifteen months with large blocks of low priced issues dominating the ticker and the market was steady at the close.

Tata Steel Defds opened at Rs. 1865 and improved to Rs. 1877 but later under increased selling declined to Rs. 1852. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 381 and improved to Rs. 383 and later declined to Rs. 379. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1885 and after improving to Rs. 1900 downturned to Rs. 1880. Century shares opened at Rs. 785 and quietened at Rs. 778. Later on there was increased selling and Defds were quoted at Rs. 1835 and Ordinary shares stood at Rs. 378. Bombay Dyeings were quoted at Rs. 1871 x.d. and Century Shares after declining to Rs 757 improved to Rs. 765. Tone was quiet.

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COTTON: The local market opened easy to-day at Rs 541 for May delivery as yesterday after the close there was increased professional unloading. The market looks like a two sided affair with professional operators taking quick turns. Later on there was moderate buying and prices advanced to Rs. 545. Trading was restricted awaiting developments. Thereafter there was some selling and prices declined to Rs. 542. Later on there was slow but steady selling influenced by shortage of godown accommodation. Prices declined to Rs. 536 and steadied at Rs. 537. There was renewed selling and prices declined to Rs. 534. In the absence of support prices declined to Rs. 532/8 and improved to Rs. 536 on short covering. The market closed at 5 p.m. with May Rs. 536/8 and July Rs. 546/8.

BULLION: London gold was unchanged yesterday at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 3/4 at New York. London Spot silver was unchanged at 23 1/2d and New York silver was quoted at 44 3/4 cents. The local market was opened quiet and silver was quoted at Rs. 111/12 and gold was done at Rs. 73/4. Later on there was improved demand and silver advanced to Rs. 112/4 for Chaitra and Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 112/7. Sovereigns was quoted at Rs. 52/12. Ready gold stood at Rs. 73/14 and Chaitra business was done at Rs. 73/9. Tone was steady with general buying. Closing quotations: Ready gold Rs. 73/12; Chaitra Rs. 73/9; Ready silver Rs. 112/4; Chaitra Rs. 112/2; Sovereigns Rs. 52/8.

SEEDS: The local market was quiet to-day with scattered selling. The British Food Ministry has asked for tenders as very few offers are made. The demand for ready is good. Groundnuts May advanced to Rs. 101/8 and declined to Rs. 100/12 and later steadied at Rs. 101/2. August business is done at a premium of Rs. 5/4. Linseed May was quoted at Rs. 11 and trading in August commenced at Rs. 11/8/3 and improved to Rs. 11/10. Castorseeds May were quoted at Rs. 94/8 and August delivery was done at Rs. 97/8. Closing quotations: Groundnuts May opening Rs. 100/6; highest Rs. 101/8; lowest Rs. 100/4; closing Rs. 101. August opening Rs. 105/10; highest Rs. 107; lowest Rs. 105/8; closing Rs. 106/7. Castorseed May opening Rs. 94/4; lowest Rs. 93/10; highest Rs. 94/8; closing Rs. 94/8. September opening Rs. 97/8; lowest Rs. 97; closing Rs. 97/4

RATIONING SCHEME DELAYED

Certain difficulties experienced by the Rationing Authorities in the City have led to the delay of the actual introduction of rationing. Instructions have been given to the distributing agencies that the period of registration has been extended for a "few more days".

MISSING PERSONS

While registration of cards is still continuing, it has been found that a large number of people have not been enumerated. The ward offices have now taken up the task of issuing provisional ration cards for those who are now being enumerated. About 55,000 persons who were found missing in the first enumeration list are being enumerated. These persons are still to register themselves with the authorised distributing agencies and more persons are demanding to be enumerated. It is not known how long this process will take, although it is definite that the period for provisional enumeration and further registration is not long, preparatory to the introduction of rationing.

INDIVIDUAL RATION CARDS

There seems to be a suggestion before the rationing authorities about the issuing of individual ration cards for industrial workers. It is suggested that those working in industrial concerns and factories, having ration cards in the names of the heads of the families without being the employees of those concerns, would find it more convenient, if they were to get individual ration cards or if some method were to be devised to split up the present ration card. This is because of the credit facilities which the workers have been assured from the employers. These credit facilities, it is pointed out, would not be available to them from authorised dealers, communal stores or government shops.

It is not likely that this suggestion will be put into immediate effect, because it is stated that any alteration of the present system would lead to further complications and would entail upon the rationing authorities more trouble, which may further delay the introduction of rationing.

THEY BELIEVED IT

Still one more difficulty experienced by the authorities was with regard to registration by persons with unauthorised dealers. It appears that the announcement to authorise more retail shops to undertake the work of selling rations created hopes among certain retail shop-keepers that they would be selected by the Government, with the result that those shops actually got a number of customers registered, even before they were authorised by the Government. This created a certain amount of confusion and Government Inspectors had to be sent round in order to issue warnings to these shop-keepers. This action of the Government seems to have had a salutary effect.

Government also, it appears, was forced to overhaul ward rationing offices to meet the convenience of the public.

Work, preparatory to rationing, is going on briskly in the meanwhile and in the course of twelve days, about persons, men and women, have been newly appointed by Government, so that the introduction of rationing may be expedited.

Critical Food Situation In Lucknow

LUCKNOW, April 7.

As the day on which the food rationing scheme is to be introduced in the city of Lucknow, namely April 25, draws nearer, shortage of foodgrains is being experienced largely among the poorer classes; the food situation during the interim period is described as critical in certain quarters, but the local authorities are grappling with the problem in more than one way. In the absence of adequate quantity of wheat, the new crop being still in the fields, large stocks of rice and coarser grain have been released from the reserves for sale. More Government-controlled shops are being opened in the city for the convenience of the public. Arrangements for securing more wheat are also being made, and it is hoped that there will be a marked but gradual improvement in the situation in the near future.

The authorities hope to accumulate sufficient stocks of wheat and other food grains to meet the requirements of the public before rationing is introduced.—A. P.

NEW YORK COTTON

Bombay, April 7.

A split in the farm bloc brought about increased selling pressure on the New York Cotton Exchange on Wednesday. There was commission house liquidation and local selling induced by reports of a split in the Farm Bloc over the Vetoed Bankhead Bill and in sympathy with the easiness of grains with demand limited to trade buying on the scale down. At the opening July was one point up at 20.26 and advanced to 20.28 which was the highest. Later prices declined to 20.10 and the market closed at a net decline of 13 to 21 points. Spot cotton prices declined 11 points at 22.09c per lb.

PRIVATE CABLES—
New York July highest (10-15 a.m.) 20.28+03
New York July lowest (3 p.m.) ... 20.10—15

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, April 6.

May	20.30—13
July	20.10—15
October	19.82—18
December	19.75—20
January	19.70—21
March	19.59—20
Middling Spot	22.09—11

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New York, April 6.

May	20.57—15
July	20.40—16
October	20.11—19
Middling Spot	21.02—15

COTTON TEJI-MANDI

BOMBAY, April 7.

Settlement on 21st inst. Double options Rs. 20, Teji Rs. 10, Mandi Rs. 9, Rs. 20 diff. Teji Rs. 4 1/2 and Mandi Rs. 9, Rs. 15 diff Teji Rs. 3/8 and Mandi Rs. 3, Rs. 50 diff. Teji Rs. 1 1/8 and Mandi Rs. 1 1/4.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, April 6

I.C.C. May highest 551 1/2 lowest 541 1/2 closing 548.
I.C.C. July highest 559; lowest 548 1/2, closing 557.

METAL EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Bombay, April 7.

Copper sheets lb. 21 Rs. 325 28 300 35 300 42 260 49-56 250.
Brass sheets Flag Brand lb. 20-21 Rs. 245 24 215 28 208 35 195 42 185 49-56 185
SETTLEMENT RATES
Copper sheets lb. 21 Rs. 325.

City And Suburbs

TO-DAY

Hindu: Chaitra Shud 4, 1999.
Muslim: Rabi-ul-Akhar 2, 1362
Parsi: Avan 6, 1312
Sunrise: 7-28 a.m. Sunset 7-53 p.m.
Hightide: 1-48, 14-31, Lowtide: 7-55, 20-20.

DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

LECTURE ON "Extent of God's Love" at 6-30 p.m. at Blavatsky Lodge, French Bridge by Dada Maharaj.

ANDHRA ASSOCIATION, KALYAN: Ramanavami festival programme from 9-30 p.m. to 11 p.m. when the Mahabharata in Telugu will be read.

WOMEN'S COUNCIL: Mr. P. S. Bakhle will speak on the Rau Committee Bills on Succession and Marriage at 4-30 p.m. at Mahila Sangh Hall, Thakurdwar.

KANARA SARASWAT ASSOCIATION: Conference of Presidents, Vice-Presidents, Chairmen and members of the Shamrao Vithal Co-operative Bank at 6-30 p.m.

Concert In Aid Of Bombay Historical Society

Concert at 6 p.m. in the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall. The entire proceeds will be utilised in defraying the cost of publication of the annual Bibliography of Indian History and Indology, there will be classical songs by Miss Lalita Nayampally and Miss Nalini Padukone, Kathak Dances by Miss Suniti Samsi and violin recital by Master Gajanan Karnad all artistes of repute.

FIVE NEW ARTICLED CLERKS

The following candidates are declared successful at the Examination of Articled Clerks for the Solicitors profession, held last month by the Bombay Incorporated Law Society:—

Messrs. Maheshchandra Manilal Nanavati, Hormusji Jehangirji Bam, Satyendra Chimanlal Mapara, Champaklal Brijmohanlal Tolat, Rasikchandra Harakhlal Dhebar.

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Fellowship School Helps Bijapur Victims

Pupils and staff of the Fellowship School were congratulated for having made a handsome collection of Rs. 950 for Bijapur Famine Relief, by Mr. A. V Thakkar, the President of Bijapur Famine Relief Fund who visited the school on Tuesday.

Mr. Thakkar gave a vivid picture of the hardships of people at Bijapur and emphasised the need for timely aid to them to save them from the jaws of death. He stressed the value of fellow-feeling in development of character and congratulated the pupils and staff for their spirit of social service.

ARRESTED WHILE LEADING PROCESSION

A procession of about 50 individuals was taken out on the Juhu Road on Tuesday morning. When the procession covered a few yards the Santa Cruz Police dispersed the crowd, arresting Chunibhai Ranchoobhai of Bombay who, it is alleged, was leading the procession, carrying a Congress flag.

The arrested man is being tried before Mr. Rs. S. Vyas Resident First Class Magistrate, Bandra, under section 56 (4) of the Defence of India Rules.

New Chairman Of Standing Committee

Hon. Raja Bahadur Govindlal Shivlal Motilal being the only candidate for the chairmanship of the Standing Committee of the Municipal Corporation, he was unanimously elected on Wednesday. Mr. Motichand G. Kapadia presided till Raja Bahadur Govindlal occupied the chair. A resolution paying a tribute to Mr. Motichand G. Kapadia for the valuable services rendered by him as Chairman during the past year was also passed.

SCHOOLS COMMITTEE CHIEF

Dr. Homi H. Pavri was elected Chairman of the Municipal Schools Committee for the ensuing year at a meeting of the Committee held on Wednesday evening. Thirteen members were present. Mrs. Shafi Tyebji presided. Dr. Pavri polled seven votes as against six polled by the rival candidate, Mrs. Lilavati K. Munshi.

STAFF SARGEANT'S WIFE STABBED

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Mrs. Fylis Eley wife of a staff Sargeant was stabbed by a tailor at Ripon Road on Wednesday evening. She succumbed to her injuries while being removed to the Hospital.

It appears, a quarrel arose over the question of payment of tailoring charges for the clothes which the deceased had given to the alleged assailant, and he stabbed her.

The assailant has been arrested and the Nagpada Police are making further inquiries.

Manavadar Beat St. Xaviers' By Narrow Margin

In a game that was a good deal spoilt by bad umpiring, Manavadar got the better of St. Xaviers in yesterday's Aga Khan fixture by the odd goal in three.

The match produced only moderate hockey; Shahbuddin gave Manavadar the lead in the tenth minute off a long corner, the same player increasing the Manavadar score to two love midway in the second half. St. Xavier's then took a strong hand in the game and reduced the lead to 2—1, but wasted a golden opportunity of getting on level terms at the last minute, a penalty bully in their favour going the wrong way.

TO-DAY'S GAME—6 p.m.
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Wanted an Attorney to Share Office expenses with facility of telephone. Write Box No. 1285, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted Foremen for an up-to-date machine repair and foundry workshop. Only really capable and fully experienced men need apply with testimonials and terms to Box No. 4068, "Bombay Chronicle."

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TENDER NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the supply, till 31-3-1944, of blue shirts, khaki shorts and stockings as per samples kept in the Civic Guard Headquarters, Head Police Office, Bombay No. 1, to the Civic Guards of Bombay City. The tenders along with the samples will be received by the undersigned upto 1 p.m. on the 17th April 1943. Further particulars can be obtained from the Civic Guard Headquarters, Bombay No. 1.

R. N. NAYAMPALLI,
Deputy Commissioner of Police.
Head Police Office,
Bombay, 6th April, 1943. 4077

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(1) To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1942.
(2) To sanction the declaration of a dividend.
(3) To elect Directors in place of Mr. Vithaldas Kanji and Mr. J. M. B. Gibbons, who retire by rotation, but offer themselves for re-election. Mr. Vithaldas Kanji is interested as a partner in the firm of Cotton Buyers to the Company.
(4) To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from 19th April to 8th May, 1943, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
For THE BOMBAY COMPANY LIMITED,
A. L. HUTSON,
Managing Director.
Secretaries, Treasurers & Agents.
Bombay, 7th April, 1943. (4074)

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(4) To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 19th April to 8th May, 1943, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors
for The Bombay Company, Limited.
A. L. HUTSON,
Managing Director,
Secretaries, Treasurers & Agents.
Bombay, 7th April, 1943. 4073

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All the three posts are pensionable. Working knowledge of Gujarati language desirable for all posts apply to DIWAN, DHRANGADHRA STATE before 1st May, 1943, stating age, caste, mother-tongue, educational qualifications, experience, where and how occupied at present together with a copy of a recent photograph and testimonials. Applicants for the post of Lady Doctor must also state whether married or unmarried or widow. (4043)

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Company's Office at Baroda on SATURDAY, the 15th May, 1943, at 9-30 A. M. for transacting the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the year ending 31st December, 1942.
2. To sanction the declaration of Dividend.
3. To appoint a Director in place of Mr. Tulsibhai B. Amin, who retires from Office but is eligible and offers himself for re-election.
4. To appoint a Director in place of Mr. Ambalal C. Amin, who retires from Office but is eligible and offers himself for re-election.
5. To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.
6. To transact such business as may be brought forward by Directors.

By Order of the Board,
RAMAN B. AMIN,
General Manager,
The Alembic Chemical Works Co., Ltd.
3rd April, 1943.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the transfer books of the Company will be closed from 1st May, 1943 to 14th May, 1943 both days inclusive.

NOTICE

The dividend when sanctioned will be payable at the Head Office of the Company at Baroda on or after the 1st June 1943 to those Shareholders whose names stand on the Register of the Company on 14th May, 1943 to whom dividend warrants will be posted.

The Shareholders are requested to at once notify any change of address.

By Order of the Board,
RAMAN B. AMIN,
General Manager,
The Alembic Chemical Works Co., Ltd.
3rd April, 1943. 4081

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Tenders will be received upto, 4 P. M. on the 29th April, 1943. 4070

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(Sd.) M. K. NAMBYAR,
Bar-at-Law. 4072

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BY THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE BOMBAY.

No. 3930/278.

The following draft of a rule which it is proposed to make under sub-clause (ii) of clause (f) and clause (h) of sub-section (1) of section 22 of the City of Bombay Police Act, 1902 (Bom. IV of 1902), is published as required by sub-section (2) of the said section 22 for the information of all persons likely to be affected thereby, and notice is hereby given that the said draft will be taken into consideration by the Commissioner of Police on or after the 26th April, 1943.

2. Any objection or suggestion which may be received by the Commissioner of Police from any person with respect to the draft before the date aforesaid will be considered by the Commissioner of Police.

DRAFT NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-clause (ii) of clause (f) and clause (h) of sub-section (1) of section 22 of the City of Bombay Police Act, 1902 (Bom. IV of 1902) and in supersession of all previous notifications issued in this behalf, the Commissioner of Police with the previous sanction of the Government of Bombay makes the following rule, namely:—

"During the Muharram festival a license to play music in the streets and public places shall only be granted for the 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th days of the Muharram festival and for no other days. No such license shall be granted unless the person applying for the same deposits a sum of Rs. 50 with the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, and agrees to forfeit the same in the event of any breach of the rules made under section 23 of the said Act for the conduct of the Muharram festival or of any disturbance by or with the connivance of the applicant."

H. E BUTLER,
Commissioner of Police,
Head Police Office:
Bombay, 17th March, 1943. 4075

NOTICE

THE WESTERN INDIA MATCH COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the abovenamed Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at Indian Mercantile Chambers, Nicol Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay at 12-45 p.m. (S. T.) on FRIDAY, the 30th day of April, 1943, to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1942.
2. To declare a dividend and a bonus.
3. To elect two Directors in the place of those who retire by rotation but are eligible for re-election and offer themselves accordingly.
4. To appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration for the ensuing year and to fix their additional remuneration in respect of the year ending 31st December, 1942.
5. To transact any other business which may be placed before the meeting by the Chairman.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd day of April, 1943 to the 8th day of May, 1943, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
STEN SUNDGREN,
Joint Managing Director
1st April, 1943.
Indian Merchantile Chambers,
Nicol Road, Ballard Estate.
BOMBAY.

The dividend and bonus when declared will be payable at the Central Bank of India, Ltd., Bombay on and after the 5th day of May, 1943 to those shareholders whose names stand on the Register on the 22nd day of April, 1943 and warrants will be posted in due course to each shareholder at his registered address. 4076

NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED by a leading Bank from Graduates in Law or Commerce from respectable families for recruitment in higher grades and training as future officers. Pay during probationary or training period Rs. 75 to Rs. 100, according to qualifications. Applicants should state full details of academic qualifications and antecedents to Box No. 4079, "Bombay Chronicle."

NOTICE

THE E. D. SASSOON UNITED MILLS, LTD.

APPLICATION has been made to the Directors of this Company to issue to Mr. Maneck Rustomjee Mehta, duplicate of the Application Receipt, Allotment Letter No. 2619 with Receipt and First Call Receipt for 1500 shares Nos. 3568039 to 3569538 upon the statement that the original documents have been LOST or DESTROYED. And Notice is hereby given that if within 30 days from the date hereof no claim or representation in respect of such original documents is made to the said Directors at the Company's Office at E.D. Sassoon Building, Dougall Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, they will then proceed to deal with such application for duplicate documents. (4078)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from British subjects for one post of Counter Propaganda Officer on a scale of pay of Rs. 700-50-1,000 and one post of Assistant Counter Propaganda Officer on a scale of pay of Rs. 400-20-600, in the Counter Propaganda Directorate Department of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India. Tenure up to February 29, 1944, which may be extended for the duration of the war. Candidates should not be below 25 or above 40. In selection special regard will be given to at least twelve consecutive months' experience of journalism in the English language, preferably in a newspaper office, and to good background in Indian and international affairs. Applications should contain full details of candidates' educational record and journalistic experience and be accompanied by cuttings of published articles and attested copies of references and testimonials. Certain number of candidates for each post from amongst all the applications will be invited to appear for test and interview before a Selection Committee at their own expense. The successful candidate in each case will be on probation for six months. Applications must reach the Director of Counter Propaganda, at New Delhi, on or before April 17, 1943. 4039.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SHRIKRISHNA RAMCHANDRA PRADHAN and KAMLABAI SHRIKRISHNA PRADHAN, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property. Any person having any claim or claims or interest in or to the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, mortgage, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance, lease, residence, use, maintenance, charge or otherwise howsoever is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at 19, Nanabhai Lane, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim or claims and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY ABOVE REFERRED TO:

ALL that piece of land, containing an area of 631 (Six hundred and thirty-one) Square Yards or thereabouts, situate on and being Plot No. 161 of the Shivaji Park Scheme, Mahim of the Municipal Corporation of the City of Bombay, in the City and Island and Sub-Registration District of Bombay, together with the messuage structures and tenements standing thereon and forming portion of land bearing New Survey No. 1546 and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 1870 of Mahim Division and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under G Ward No. 4697(3), Street No. 234, and bounded, on the North-East by a sixty feet road, on the South-East by Cadell Road, on the South-West by Plot No. 160 of the said Scheme and on the North-West by Plot No. 163 of the said scheme.

Dated this 6th day of April, 1943
MOTICHAND & DEVIDAS,
Attorneys for the Purchaser. (4071)

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. MAHADEO MEGHA BALARAM, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 36, Tamarind Lane, Tamarind House, Fort, Bombay, within FOURTEEN DAYS from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece of leasehold land with messuage tenements or dwelling nouses thereon situate at Goknale Road, Dadar, outside the Fort of Bombay admeasuring about 623 square yards registered under Collector's Book No. 3789, New S. No. 1789, C. S. No. 2/1262, Lower Parel Division and assessed under G Ward No. 3136 (1), Street Nos. 32-32A @ 32E & 1-1A and bounded on the East by Gokhale Road, on the West and South by the property of Suleman Haji Mohmedi Maniar and on the North by fifty feet Road.

Dated this 7th day of April, 1943.
GHULAMALI NOORANI & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys. 4080

Auction Sales

AUCTION SALE of Vertical and Horizontal Steam Engines, Oil Engines, Electric Motors, Boiler and Sluice valves, 1 New Kerosene Engine, Belt punching machine, Steam cranes, Pulleys, etc. on SUNDAY, 11th April, 43, at 11 a.m. (S.T.) at Hyderall Press, opp. Reay Rd. Station, G.I.P. Rly.

AUCTION SALE OF JEWELLERY By order of a Hindu Gentleman, Sale on MONDAY, 12-4-43 at 3-0 p.m. (S. T.), at our rooms, 122 Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, of Diamond Necklace, Pendent Earings, 9 Diamond and Emerald Rings, Pearl Bangles, etc.
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AUCTION SALE OF 200 BALES OF COLOURED YARN WASTE. Under instruction from the Insurance Co., concerned Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will sell by public auction TODAY Thursday the 8th April, 1943, at 3 p.m. (N.S.T.) at Krishna Press at Jackeria Bunder Road.
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Favourites Fail Again In Most Events

(From Our Racing Correspondent)

The first day of the War Gifts Fund meeting attracted fairly big crowds at Mahaluxmi.

Punters failed in most events to catch the winners.

Capt. A. Swamvur gained a rich double through the medium of Column Two and What's Yours. The latter got better of the best fancied Royal Blood with a late burst and returned Rs. 383 for win.

The treble event pool being unsolved, the accumulated sum of Rs. 47,865—has been carried forward to Saturday's meeting.

The following are the results:—

THE NETHERLANDS PLATE DIV II.
Distance 6 Furlongs
Mr. A. L. J. Talib's INTIMATE 6-12 Kheem Singh 1
Mr. P. R. Mehta's AL RA'EED, 9, Kan Singh 2
Mrs. P. Amarasuriya's KUHAILAN KAMIL, 9-0, Chavan 3
Mr. A. P. Carib's TIGRIS 9-0 Faruq Shah All Ran. 4
Won by 2 1 2 l, 1 1/2 l.
Time 1m. 25 Scs.
Tote paid Rs. 18 for win Rs. 14, Rs. 23 and Rs. 15 for places.

THE CHINA STAKES:—
Distance 5 Furlongs
The Maharaja of Parlakimedi's LYDIA 8-7, B. McQuade 1
Messrs. M. H. Ahmedbhoy and Chandulal J. Shah's NECESSITY 8-7, Evans 2
Mr. Abdul Hakim Jasdanwalla's ROOPSUNDARI 8-7, W. Carr 3
H. H. The Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda's Sweet Dream 8-7, West 4
All Ran.
Won by 1/2 l, 1 l, S-Hd.
Time: 1 min 15 1-5 Secs.
Tote paid Rs. 36 for win, Rs. 15, Rs. 28 and Rs. 32 for places.

THE NETHERLANDS PLATE DIV I:
Distance 5 Furlongs
Mr. Saleh Hassan's JANAB 9-2, Laloo ... 1
Mr. Josepph N. Abudi's HUBB al WATAN 8-5, Raffaele 2
Mr. Jacob Heskel's SULAF HASSUN 9-0 Jones 3
Mr. P. D. Pundole's Maha 9-2 Rook ... 4
Not Run Solferino.
Won by 3/4 l, 1 l, S-Hd
Time: 1m. 22 2/5 Secs.
Tot. paid Rs. 43 for win, Rs. 15, Rs. 15 and Rs. 27 for places.

ROYAL INDIAN NAVY CUP
Distance 1 1/4 Miles
Capt. A. Svamvur's WHAT'S YOURS 8-11, Jones 1
H. H. The Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda's ROYAL BLOOD 8-11, Britt 2
Mr. P. J. Gazdar's SCOTTISH STAR 8-4 Mohamed 3
Mr. Osman Chotani's Osman Pasha 8-7, Raffaele 4
All Ran.
Won by . 3/4l Hd., 1/2d
Time 2 ms. 9 Secs.
Tote paid Rs. 383 for win; Rs. 80, Rs. 16 and Rs. 94 for places.

THE INDIAN ARMY CUP
Distance 1 1/2 Miles
Mr. Sion F. Nessim's QA'ID AL ARAB 9-0, Brace 1
Mr. A. Osman's STAR BRILLIANT 8-12, A. Ahmed 2
H. H. The Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda's AKHU AMIN 8-7, Britt 3
H. H. The Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda's Rabdan, 8-9, West 4
All ran.
Won by 3/4 l, l, Nk.
Time: 2 ms. 57 Secs.
Tote paid Rs. 72 for win, Rs. 25, Rs. 34 and Rs. 26 for places.

THE RUSSIAN ARMY CUP
Distance 1 1/4 Miles
H. H. The Prince of Berar's ATHERTON 7-7, Whiteside 1
Mr. M. P. Jain's ENJEU 8-11, Sibbritt ..2
Mrs. H. Margetson's SCOTCH MIST, 7-9 Southey 3
H. H. The Maharaja of Idar's High lights 9-4, Brace 4
Not Run Royal Page, Mehjabin, Sir Francis II.
Won by: 1/2 l, 3/4 l, S-Hd.
Time: 2ms. 9 1-5 Secs.
Tote paid Rs. 107 for win, Rs. 35, Rs. 75 and Rs. 52 for places.

THE AMERICAN PLATE
Distance 7 Furlongs
Mr. R. K. F. Singh's MAHBOOB 8-4 Amir Ahmed ...1
Mrs. Justice's HAUT TON 9-4, Whiteside 2
Mr. A. S. Tyebjee's SUNDIAL 8-9, West 3
Lt. Col Rajkumar C. Desaraj Urs's Behendie 7-11, Stead 4
All ran.
Tote paid Rs. 84 for win, Rs. 21, Rs. 16 and Rs. 17 for places.

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I'M NOT.... MAKE HIM LET ME GO/
LET YOU GO, MY EYE... WHY DID YOU PULL A KNIFE ON ME?
TAKE IT EASY, DON....
YOU MUST BE HUNGRY... BOGGS, SET AN EXTRA PLATE....
THAT'S THE FIRST TIME ANYONE HAS BEEN KIND TO ME.... SINCE IT HAPPENED..... I'LL TELL YOU EVERYTHING, EVERYTHING....

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